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SUB: PUERTO RICO AND THE COMMITTEE OF 24

REF:A) STATE 194115; B) STATE 195241; C) USUN 3684

1. AS REFTEL (A) ARRIVED IN MIDST OF THREE-DAY IVORY COAST HOLIDAY WEEKEND, EMBASSY WAS NOT ABLE TO RAISE APPROPRIATE SENIOR LEVEL OF FOREIGN MINISTRY UNTIL TODAY, WHEN AMBASSADOR AND POLITICAL OFFICER CALLED ON MOST SENIOR AVAILABLE, MFA REPRESENTATIVE, DIRECTOR OF CABINET EMMANUEL NOUAMA.

2. AMBASSADOR CITED POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL (A) AND EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE WHICH USG ATTACHES TO PUERTO RICAN QUESTION IN
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COMMITTEE OF 24. AMBASSADOR STRONGLY URGED GOIC RAP BE INSTRUCTED

TO VOTE AGAINST PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND NOT MERELY TO ABSTAIN.

3. NOUAMA REPLIED THAT IVORY COAST GOVERNMENT (AND IN PARTICULAR GOIC DELEGATE TO COMMITTEE OF 24 KOUAME) ARE VERY FAMILIAR WITH PUERTO RICAN QUESTION. NOUAMA SAID IT INCONCEIVABLE THAT IVORY COAST WOULD VOTE FOR PROPOSED HOSTILE RESOLUTION AND AT MOST GOIC WOULD ABSTAIN. WHEN AMBASSADOR REITERATED IMPORTANCE TO
USG OF VOTING AGAINST RESOLUTION RATHER THAN MERELY ABSTAINING, NOUAMA UNDERTOOK TO COMMUNICATE IMMEDIATELY WITH GOIC DELEGATE KOUAME IN NEW YORK. NOUAMA EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE ON NEGATIVE VOTE BY GOIC.

4. SUGGEST USUN MAY WISH FOLLOW UP WITH GOIC DELEGATE KOUAME IN NEW YORK, MENTIONING AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION WITH NOUAMA.
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